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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A fascia for a motor vehicle comprising:

a component mounting integrally molded to the fascia for holding and securing a

component therein, the component mounting comprising

a containing portion having a through-hole for housing the component and for

allowing the component to communicate therethrough, the containing portion being

integrally molded to the fascia; and

first and second resilient members disposed diametrically opposite each other,

wherein the first and second resilient members comprise fastening means for securing the

component in the component mounting[[,]]; and

elongated ridges extending along the first and second resilient members for

strengthening a retention of the component in the component mounting,

wherein the component mounting is designed for mounting the component from a

rear side opposite to [[the]] a show surface of the fascia.

2. (Currently amended) The fascia as defined in claim 1 wherein the fascia is made

from a thermoplastic material having sufficient rigidity for maintaining one of a

positioning of the component and a continuity of a coating applied to at least [[a]] the

show surface of the fascia.

3. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 2 wherein the coating is one of a paint, a

clear coat, and a metal plating.

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4. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 1 wherein the fastening means are

releasable.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently amended) The fascia as defined in claim [[5]] 4 wherein the first and

second resilient members comprise one of a projection and a recess for providing a snap

connection to a complementary one of a recess and a projection of the component.

7. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 1 wherein the through-hole has a

complementary shape to the component.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently amended) The fascia as defined in claim 1 wherein [[the]] a proximal

end of the containing portion adjacent the rear side of the fascia has a mounting wall

stock thickness of about one third of a fascia wall stock thickness.

10. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 1 further comprising a parting line seal

off where the proximal end of the containing portion meets the fascia for providing a

paint quality and a parting line quality.

11. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 1 wherein the component mounting is a

sensor bracket for mounting a sensor therein.

12. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 11 wherein the sensor is a parking assist

sensor.

13. (Withdrawn) A method of making a fascia for a motor vehicle comprising the

steps of:

providing a mold, the mold comprising a cavity, a core, and a core pin, said mold

defining a shape of the fascia with an integral component mounting, the component

mounting comprising a containing portion having a through-hole for housing the

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component, said containing portion having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal

end being integrally molded to the fascia, and fastening means for securing the

component in the sensor bracket, said fastening means being disposed about the distal

end of the containing portion;

engaging the core pin with respect to the cavity and the core, said core pin for

creating the through-hole;

injecting an amount of thermoplastic material into the mold;

allowing the thermoplastic material to set; and

removing the core pin from the cavity and the core for allowing the removal of

the fascia from the mold.

14. (Withdrawn) The method as defined in claim 13 wherein the core pin is designed

so as create a through-hole having a complimentary shape to an external contour of the

component to be inserted into component mounting.

15. (Currently amended) A fascia for a motor vehicle comprising:

a rear side opposite to and spaced apart from a show surface;

a sensor bracket integrally molded to the fascia for holding and securing a sensor

therein, the sensor bracket comprising

a containing portion having a through-hole for housing the sensor and for

allowing the sensor to sense an object therethrough, said through-hole defining a rounded

edge at the show surface of the fascia and a flat portion generally parallel to the rear side

and disposed between the rear side and the show surface, said containing portion having a

proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end being integrally molded to the rear side

of the fascia; and

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fastening means for securing the sensor in the sensor bracket with one end of the

sensor abutting the flat portion, said fastening means being disposed about the distal end

of the containing portion, and

wherein the sensor bracket is designed for receiving the sensor from [[a]] the rear

side opposite to [[a]] the show surface of the fascia.

16. (Currently amended) The fascia as defined in claim 15 wherein the fascia is made

from a thermoplastic material having sufficient rigidity for maintaining one of a

positioning of the sensor and a continuity of a coating applied to at least [[a]] the show

surface of the fascia.

17. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 16 wherein the coating is one of a clear

coat, a paint, and a metal plating.

18. (Currently amended) The fascia as defined in claim [[15]] 20 further comprising

elongated ridges extending along the fastening means first and second resilient members

for increasing a retention of the sensor in the sensor bracket.

19. (Original) The fascia as defined in claim 15 wherein the fastening means are

releasable.

20. (New) The fascia as defined in claim 15 wherein the fastening means comprise

first and second resilient members disposed diametrically opposite each other.

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